

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
Washington, D. C. 20554

OFFICE OF  
MANAGING DIRECTOR

JAN 15 2003

Beth A. Jenkins, Vice President  
Music Express Broadcasting Corporation  
Post Office Box 800  
Chardon, Ohio 44024-0800

Re: Request for Waiver of FY **2002** Regulatory Fee  
Fee Control No.: 00000RROG-03-056

Dear ~~Ms.~~ Jenkins:

This letter grants your request dated November **6**, 2002, for waiver of the regulatory fee for Fiscal Year (FY) 2002 in the amount of \$950 submitted on behalf of AM station WATJ, Chardon, Ohio, licensed to Music Express Broadcasting Corporation.


In support of your request for waiver of the regulatory fee on the ground of financial hardship, you attach copies of WATJ's most recent profit and loss statement and balance sheet. In addition, you contend that no compensation is being paid to the company's officers. You also point out that WATJ **was** granted fee waivers in FY's 1997, 1999, 2000, and 2001.

In establishing a regulatory fee program, the Commission recognized that in certain instances payment of a regulatory fee may impose **an** undue financial hardship upon a licensee. The Commission therefore decided to grant waivers or reductions of its regulatory fees in those instances where a "petitioner presents a compelling case of financial hardship." See Implementation of Section 9 of the Communications Act, 9 FCC Rcd 5333,5346 (1994); recon. granted, 10 FCC Rcd 12759(1995).

Our review of WATJ's profit and loss statement for the period **January** through October 2002 indicates that the station paid no compensation to its officers and that ~~it~~ suffered **an** operating loss of \$32,029.73, which was only partially offset by depreciation expenses totaling \$12,993.92. Accordingly, in light of WATJ's compelling showing of financial hardship, your request for waiver of the FY 2002 regulatory fee is granted.

**If** you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact ~~the~~ Revenue and Receivables Operations Group at (202) 418-1995.

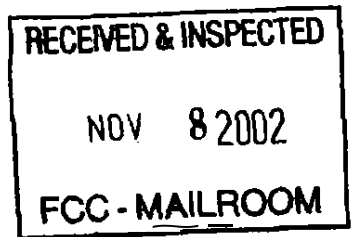
Sincerely,

  
Mark A. Reger  
Chief Financial Officer

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November 6, 2002

Re: Request for Waiver of Regulatory Fee  
AM Radio Station WATJ, 1560

Dear Sir or Madam,

Per Mr. Mark Reger's letter to **WATJ** dated October 24, 2002, "In view of your allegations of financial hardship....WATJ's request [for relief] may be refiled together with appropriate supporting documentation within 30 days from the date of this letter."


To that end, I **am** enclosing copies **of** our most recent profit and loss statement and balance sheet

No compensation is now being, or has ever been, paid to officers

The FCC granted WATJ relief from FY 1997, 1999, 2000 and 2001 regulatory fees.

In consideration of **all** the above, please therefore grant us relief from Regulatory Fees **for** FY 2002.

Sincerely yours,

  
Beth A. Jenkins  
Vice President

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Enclosures

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